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Via ECFS  
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to  
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

I subscribe to Sonic because they respect my privacy and I want to support smaller, independent ISPs that are not oriented towards profit above their customer's concerns. So much of business is hostile to the consumer these days, esp. internet providers.

For such an important aspect of our modern lives (critical to my work in video game development, as well as just in our personal life - managing our finances, healthcare, school administration for our children and so much more terribly important activity), we need healthy competition to motivate all providers to respect our privacy and not exploit the enormous size of the main providers to make radical price hikes or fall back to poor service.

If service and privacy and respect for the consumer is maintained by having an excellent provider like Sonic, then other larger ISPs will not so easily fall back to poor responsiveness to consumer needs and throttling our service, as well as selling our privacy to the highest bidder. I also support Sonic's efforts to bring broadband to their customers for not exorbitant prices.

It's terribly disappointing to me that the ISPs made promises to bring broadband to the American public infrastructure at a \$400 billion tax cost but never happened, so we are stuck with paying higher prices to do the same thing paying twice. We should have the best broadband of any country, but we are far below the standard compared to most of the developed world. That's the kind of worry that lack of competition brings. The lobbying power of the huge ISPs seems unsurmountable, but with honest competition, we can keep them in check.

Please do everything you can to foster competition in this most important aspect of our modern lives.

Thank you.

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